

Whereas:

libraries are the cornerstones of our diverse communities where people

of the City of Las Vegas can experience personal enrichment and connect with one another; and

Whereas;

the citizens of the City of Las Vegas recognize the importance of

reading as an activity and a key to the community's well-being and quality of life; and

Whereas;

the Las Vegas-Clark County Library District is promoting its 6th Annual Reading Las Vegas, a program that brings adults together to celebrate the power and passion of reading; and

Whereas;

this year's highlight of the program is *The Big Read*, an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts designed to restore reading to the center of American public culture, developed in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services and Arts Midwest; and

Whereas;

the Las Vegas-Clark County Library District and the Las Vegas City Council are united in supporting *Reading Las Vegas* presents *The Big Read*, a national initiative to encourage literary reading by asking communities to come together to read and discuss one book; now

Therefore;

I, THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS, COUNTY OF CLARK, STATE

OF NEVADA, HEREBY PROUDLY PROCLAIM APRIL, 2007, TO BE:

Reading Las Vegas presents The Big Read Month

IN THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS AND ENCOURAGE ALL CITIZENS TO READ THE JOY LUCK CLUB BY AMY TAN IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS WONDERFUL COMMUNITY-WIDE BOOK CLUB.



In Witness Whereof: BY THE POWERS GRANTED TO ME, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE Y OF LAS VEGAS TO BE AFFIXED THIS 15T DAY OF APRIL, 2007.

mBBnda. HONORABLE OSCAR B. GOODMAN MAYOR, CITY OF LAS VEGAS